

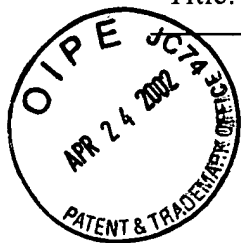
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on 15 January 2002, Applicants request the following Amendment and Response to the above-identified patent application. An appropriate Petition for Extension of Time in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and accompanying fees are also submitted, extending the time for response to 15 May 2002.

In the specification:

Please insert the following text at the beginning of the specification:

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